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Fish and Wildlife Service

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**Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Status
Reviews of 50 Species in California, Nevada, and the Klamath Basin of Oregon**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of reviews; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are initiating 5-year status reviews of 50 species in California, Nevada, and the Klamath Basin of Oregon under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). A 5-year review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on these species that has become available since the last review.

DATES: To ensure consideration in our reviews, we are requesting submission of new

information no later than **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**. However, we will continue to accept new information about any species at any time.

ADDRESSES: For how and where to send information, see **Request for New Information**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For whom to contact for species-specific information, see **Request for New Information**. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8337 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why Do We Conduct 5-Year Reviews?

Under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we maintain lists of endangered and threatened wildlife and plant species (referred to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for wildlife) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. For additional information about 5-year reviews, refer to our factsheet at <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/what-we-do/recovery-overview.html>.

What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?

A 5-year review considers all new information available at the time of the review. In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

- (A) Species biology, including but not limited to population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;
- (B) Habitat conditions, including but not limited to amount, distribution, and suitability;
- (C) Conservation measures that have been implemented to benefit the species;
- (D) Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the Act); and
- (E) Other new information, data, or corrections, including but not limited to taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for the species.

Which Species Are Under Review?

This notice announces our active review of the species listed in the table below.

Animals					
Common name	Scientific name	Status	States where the species is known to occur	Final Listing rule (<i>Federal Register</i> citation and publication date)	Lead Fish and Wildlife Office
Butterfly, Lange's metalmark	<i>Apodemia mormo langei</i>	Endangered	California	41 FR 22041 22044; 6/1/1976	San Francisco Bay-Delta Fish and Wildlife Office
Butterfly, Smith's blue	<i>Euphilotes enoptes smithi</i>	Endangered	California	41 FR 22041 22044; 6/1/1976	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Cuckoo, yellow-billed	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>	Threatened	Western U.S. distinct population segment (DPS): Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, as well as Canada and Mexico	79 FR 59991 60038; 10/03/2014	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Frog, California red-legged	<i>Rana draytonii</i>	Threatened	California	61 FR 25813 25833; 5/23/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office

Frog, mountain yellow-legged	<i>Rana muscosa</i>	Endangered	Southern California DPS: California	67 FR 44382 44392; 7/2/2002	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Goby, tidewater	<i>Eucyclogobius newberryi</i>	Endangered	California	59 FR 5494 5499; 2/4/1994	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Kangaroo rat, Stephens'	<i>Dipodomys stephensi</i> (incl. <i>D. cascus</i>)	Endangered	California	53 FR 38465 38469; 9/30/1988	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Mountain beaver, Point Arena	<i>Aplodontia rufa nigra</i>	Endangered	California	56 FR 64716 64723; 12/12/1991	Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office
Mouse, Pacific pocket	<i>Perognathus longimembris pacificus</i>	Endangered	California	59 FR 49752 49764; 9/29/1994	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Plover, western snowy	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus</i>	Threatened	Pacific Coast population DPS: California, Oregon, Washington, Mexico (within 50 miles of Pacific coast)	58 FR 12864 12874; 3/5/1993	Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office
Poolfish, Pahrump	<i>Empetrichthys latos</i>	Endangered	Nevada	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967	Southern Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office
Rail, California clapper	<i>Rallus longirostris obsoletus</i>	Endangered	California	35 FR 16047 16048; 10/13/1970	San Francisco Bay-Delta Fish and Wildlife Office
Sheep, Sierra Nevada bighorn	<i>Ovis canadensis sierrae</i>	Endangered	California	64 FR 19300 19309; 4/20/1999	Reno Fish and Wildlife Office
Skipper, Laguna Mountains	<i>Pyrgus ruralis lagunae</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 2313 2322; 1/16/1997	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office

Snail, Morro shoulderband (=Banded dune)	<i>Helminthoglypta walkeriana</i>	Endangered	California	59 FR 64613 64623; 12/15/1994	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Sucker, Lost River	<i>Deltistes luxatus</i>	Endangered	California, Oregon	53 FR 27130 27134; 7/18/1988	Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office
Sucker, shortnose	<i>Chasmistes brevirostris</i>	Endangered	California, Oregon	53 FR 27130 27134; 7/18/1988	Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office
Tern, California least	<i>Sterna antillarum browni</i>	Endangered	Arizona, California	35 FR 8491 8498; 6/2/1970	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Towhee, Inyo California	<i>Pipilo crissalis eremophilus</i>	Threatened	California	52 FR 28780 28786; 8/3/1987	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Plants					
Common name	Scientific name	Status	States where the species is known to occur	Final Listing rule (<i>Federal Register</i> citation and publication date)	Lead Fish and Wildlife Office
Bedstraw, El Dorado	<i>Galium californicum</i> ssp. <i>sierrae</i>	Endangered	California	61 FR 54346 54358; 10/18/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Bedstraw, island	<i>Galium buxifolium</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 40954 40974; 7/31/1997	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Bird's-beak, Pennell's	<i>Cordylanthus tenuis</i> ssp. <i>capillaris</i>	Endangered	California	60 FR 6671 6685; 2/3/1995	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Bluegrass, San Bernardino	<i>Poa atropurpurea</i>	Endangered	California	63 FR 49006 49022; 9/14/1998	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Butterweed, Layne's	<i>Senecio layneae</i>	Threatened	California	61 FR 54346 54358; 10/18/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office

Ceanothus, Pine Hill	<i>Ceanothus roderickii</i>	Endangered	California	61 FR 54346 54358; 10/18/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Checker-mallow, Kenwood Marsh	<i>Sidalcea oregana</i> ssp. <i>valida</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 54791 54808; 10/22/1997	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Clarkia, Vine Hill	<i>Clarkia imbricata</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 54791 54808; 10/22/1997	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Crownbeard, big-leaved	<i>Verbesina dissita</i>	Threatened	California, Mexico	61 FR 52370 52384; 10/7/1996	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Evening-primrose, San Benito	<i>Camissonia benitensis</i>	Threatened	California	50 FR 5755 5759; 2/12/1985	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Flannelbush, Pine Hill	<i>Fremontodendron californicum</i> ssp. <i>decumbens</i>	Endangered	California	61 FR 54346 54358; 10/18/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Goldfields, Burke's	<i>Lasthenia burkei</i>	Endangered	California	56 FR 61173 61182; 12/2/1991	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Larkspur, Baker's	<i>Delphinium bakeri</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 4156 4162; 1/26/2000	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Larkspur, yellow	<i>Delphinium luteum</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 4156 4162; 1/26/2000	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Lily, Pitkin Marsh	<i>Lilium pardalinum</i> ssp. <i>pitkinense</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 54791 54808; 10/22/1997	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Lily, Western	<i>Lilium occidentale</i>	Endangered	California, Oregon	59 FR 42171 42176; 8/17/1994	Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office
Lupine, Nipomo Mesa	<i>Lupinus nipomensis</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 14888 14898; 3/20/2000	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Meadowfoam, Sebastopol	<i>Limnanthes vinculans</i>	Endangered	California	56 FR 61173 61182; 12/2/1991	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Milk-vetch, Applegate's	<i>Astragalus applegatei</i>	Endangered	California, Oregon	58 FR 40547 40551; 7/28/1993	Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office

Milk-vetch, Clara Hunt's	<i>Astragalus clarianus</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 54791 54808; 10/22/1997	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Milk-vetch, Peirson's	<i>Astragalus magdalenae</i> var. <i>peirsonii</i>	Threatened	California	63 FR 53596 53615; 10/6/1998	Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office
Morning-glory, Stebbins'	<i>Calystegia stebbinsii</i>	Endangered	California	61 FR 54346 54358; 10/18/1996	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Mountainbalm, Indian Knob	<i>Eriodictyon altissimum</i>	Endangered	California	59 FR 64613 64623; 12/15/1994	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Penny-cress, Kneeland Prairie	<i>Thlaspi californicum</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 6332 6338; 2/9/2000	Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office
Phlox, Yreka	<i>Phlox hirsuta</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 5268 5275; 2/3/2000	Yreka Fish and Wildlife Office
Rush-rose, island	<i>Helianthemum greenei</i>	Threatened	California	62 FR 40954 40974; 7/31/1997	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Sedge, white	<i>Carex albida</i>	Endangered	California	62 FR 54791 54808; 10/22/1997	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Spineflower, Howell's	<i>Chorizanthe howellii</i>	Endangered	California	57 FR 27848 27859; 6/22/1992	Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office
Spineflower, Scotts Valley	<i>Chorizanthe robusta</i> var. <i>hartwegii</i>	Endangered	California	59 FR 5499 5510; 2/4/1994	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office
Sunshine, Sonoma	<i>Blennosperma bakeri</i>	Endangered	California	56 FR 61173 61182; 12/2/1991	Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office
Thistle, La Graciosa	<i>Cirsium loncholepis</i>	Endangered	California	65 FR 14888 14898; 3/20/2000	Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office

What is a Distinct Population Segment?

Yellow-billed cuckoo, mountain yellow-legged frog, and western snowy plover were each listed as a Distinct Population Segment (DPS) of a vertebrate taxon. A DPS is defined in the February 7, 1996, Policy Regarding the Recognition of Distinct Vertebrate Population Segments (61 FR 4722). For a population to be listed under the Act as a distinct vertebrate population segment, three elements are considered: (1) The discreteness of the population segment in relation to the remainder of the species to which it belongs; (2) the significance of the population segment to the species to which it belongs; and (3) the population segment's conservation status in relation to the Act's standards for listing (i.e., is the population segment endangered or threatened?). Distinct population segments of vertebrate species, as well as subspecies of all listed species, may be proposed for separate reclassification or for removal from the list. We will apply the DPS policy during the 5-year review.

Request for New Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See

What Information Do We Consider in Our Review? for specific criteria. If you submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

To get more information on a species, submit information on a species; or review information we receive, please use the following contact information, depending on the

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Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the offices to which the comments are submitted.

Authority

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